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Responsive to non-final Office Action mailed August 10, 2006

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REMARKS

1. After entry of this paper, claims 1, 2, 5-11, 14, 17, and 18 are pending.

Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

2. Claims 1-5 and 11-13 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No 7,030,552 to Chao et al. (Chao).

Claims 3, 4, 12, and 13 have been canceled and independent claims 1 and 5 have each been amended to recite, “ . . . a common electrode disposed between the first and the second organic light-emitting layers . . . ”

Chao does not expressly or inherently describe a common electrode. Accordingly, claims 1 and 5 are clearly allowable over Chao.

With regard to remaining dependent claims 2 and 11, which respectively depend from claims 1 and 5 and recite additional features of the invention, applicant believes that these claims are allowable over Chao for at least the same reasons as stated for claims 1 and 5.

In view of the foregoing, withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

3. Claims 6-10 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Chao in view of U.S. Patent No 6,043,478 to Wang.

Claims 6-10 depend from claim 5 and, therefore, require *inter alia*, “ . . . a common electrode disposed between the first and the second organic light-emitting layers . . . ” which is not taught or suggested by Chao.

Wang fails to cure the deficiencies of Chao, as Wang is merely directed to an active pixel sensor with a shared readout structure. Wang does not teach or suggest an organic light emitting diode structure that comprises the claimed common electrode. For at least this reason, claims 6-10 are allowable over Chao in view of Wang.

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organic light emitting diode structure that comprises the claimed common electrode. For at least this reason, claims 6-10 are allowable over Chao in view of Wang.

In view of the foregoing, withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

4. Claims 14-16 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,822,611 B1 to Kontogeorgakis et al. (Kontogeorgakis) in view of Chao.

Claims 15 and 16 have been canceled and independent claim 14 has been amended to recite, "... a common electrode disposed between the first and the second organic light-emitting layers . . ." Kontogeorgakis in view of Chao do not teach or suggest this feature. Accordingly, claim 14 is allowable over Kontogeorgakis in view of Chao.

In view of the foregoing, withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

5. Claims 17 and 18 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kontogeorgakis as modified by Chao and further in view of Wang.

Claims 17 and 18 depend from claim 14 and therefore require, *inter alia*, "... a common electrode disposed between the first and the second organic light-emitting layers . . ." which is not taught or suggested by Kontogeorgakis as modified by Chao.

Wang does not cure the deficiencies of Kontogeorgakis as modified by Chao, as Wang is merely directed to an active pixel sensor with a shared readout structure. Wang does not teach or suggest the claimed common electrode. For at least this reason, claims 17 and 18 are allowable over Kontogeorgakis as modified by Chao and further in view of Wang.

In view of the foregoing, withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

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6. Favorable reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested as it is believed that all outstanding issues have been addressed herein and, further, that claims 1, 2, 5-11, 14, 17, and 18 are in condition for allowance. Should there be any questions or matters whose resolution may be advanced by a telephone call, the examiner is cordially invited to contact applicants' undersigned attorney at his number listed below.

7. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the fee for the petition for the one (1) month extension of time and any filing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17, associated with this paper, which may be due or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 04-1679.

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